

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 21-25.5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21-25.5 new)

7 Sec. 21-25.5. Marriage and family therapist certification.
8 Not later than June 1, 2010, the State Board of Education shall
9 adopt rules to provide standards for the certification of
10 marital and family therapists employed by school boards. These
11 rules shall include certification requirements to be met by (i)
12 licensure as a marital and family therapist under the Marriage
13 and Family Therapy Licensing Act and (ii) such other experience
14 as the State Board of Education deems appropriate for the
15 position of marital and family therapist in a school system.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.